

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 11-29 are pending this application. Applicants appreciate the indication by the Examiner in the office action mailed September 28, 2004 that claims 11-29 are in condition for allowance. Claims 30-48 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. All pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

A Letter to the Official Draftsperson is enclosed transmitting amended drawings responsive to the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review. Withdrawal of this rejection is requested.

CONCLUSION

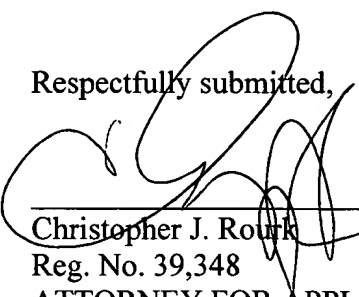
In view of the foregoing remarks and for various other reasons readily apparent, Applicant submits that all of the claims now present are allowable, and withdrawal of the rejection and a Notice of Allowance are courteously solicited.

If any impediment to the allowance of the claims remains after consideration of this amendment, a telephone interview with the Examiner is hereby requested by the undersigned at (214) 939-8657 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

A response to the outstanding office action dated September 28, 2004 was timely due on or before December 28, 2004. This response is considered timely filed on or before January 28, 2005 with payment of a one month extension fee, which petition is hereby made. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0530 in the amount of \$120 for the one month extension fee. If any applicable fee or refund has been overlooked, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or credit any refund to the deposit account of Godwin Gruber LLP, No. 50-0530.

Respectfully submitted,

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